

# **EXHIBIT 1**

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA**

MICHELE BLAIR,

*Plaintiffs,*

v.

APPOMATTOX COUNTY SCHOOL  
BOARD, ET AL.,

*Defendants.*

No. 6:23-cv-00047-NKM

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**AFFIDAVIT OF ANEESA KHAN**

1. My name is Aneesa Khan. I am over 18 years of age and I am competent to testify.
2. I am an Assistant Public Defender for the State of Maryland. I work in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City in the Division of Juvenile Causes. I represent youth who are subject to Juvenile Court jurisdiction. I have had this position since 2019.
3. As an Assistant Public Defender, I am an employee of the State of Maryland; I am paid through the Central Payroll Bureau.
4. I am a Maryland resident.
5. On September 3, 2021, I was assigned to represent the minor, referred to in this action as "S.B.".
6. All the actions I took toward S.B. or the case, I did in my capacity as an Assistant Public Defender.
7. My representation of S.B. occurred as a result of S.B.'s status as a runaway. S.B. ran away from Virginia and was found in Maryland.
8. I am a member of the Maryland bar only. I am not licensed to practice law in any other state.

9. All my in-person meetings with S.B. occurred in Maryland. All virtual meetings were conducted over a network established by the Maryland Office of the Public Defender.
10. All my in-person court appearances on behalf of S.B. occurred in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City—Juvenile Causes Division (located in Baltimore, Maryland). All virtual court proceedings were conducted over a network established by that court.
11. Neither I nor the Maryland Office of the Public Defender solicits business in Virginia.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 5, 2024.



Aneesa Khan